

**Town of Triana
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, January 13, 2020
6:30p.m.**

Mayor called the meeting to order. The clerk was asked to call the roll, Council members Casey Whitman, Levoneia Ayers, George Ragland, Marvelene Freeman and Mayor Caudle. Members present constituted a quorum. Council member Zach Achley was absent.

Motion by Freeman to approve the minutes dated December 23, 2019, Ragland seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Caudle's Report: The kick off date to start gym project is January 27th the deadline is August 11th. We received a non-compliance letter from ADEM for not sampling in the month of October. Our Water Operator has spoken with ADEM hopefully we won't be penalized and that everything works out. We received our approval on the budget extension for the gym project today.

Motion by Freeman to change the regular order of business to allow Greg Morgavi to address the council, Ragland seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Morgavi expressed an interest in purchasing land behind a home located on 6th due north. This land is owned by the Town of Triana. He would like purchase the land to build a country home on.

Ms. Freeman stated the spot in question is small, town could not build anything on it and if we have someone interested she can understand them wanting to extend the land out.

Mr. Whitman stated he agrees with Ms. Freeman, his overall thought in the future the Municipal building may have to use it for a station of some sort.

Mr. Ragland stated he does not have a problem with selling land.

Ms. Ayers stated she does not have a problem with selling the land as long as it's being properly appraised.

Mayor Caudle stated it seems like everyone is in agreement to sell land we need to have a company to come out and do an appraisal and bring back to the council.

Motion by Freeman to return to the regular order of business with all members of council still present, Ragland seconded the motion. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Fire & Police: Mayor reported they had a good interview with police applicant. He will have to attend a refresher course. The town will pay for his classes that will take about two weeks to complete we will offer him a job upon completion.

Police department traveled 1100 miles, made 21 traffic stops, 13 warning citations, 12 citations 21 calls for service 2 arrests and 6 reports.

Ms. Freeman asked if we were offering the same incentives as other agencies when hiring.

Mayor stated the last person we interviewed had friends working for New Hope we believe that's where he went; we were offering more than they were.

Freeman asked if everything is being done in a timely manner.

Mayor stated she responds and gets back with applicants.

Finance: Chairperson Ayers presented the Bank Statement ending December 31, 2019 for approval. Motion by Ragland to approve the Bank Statement ending Dec. 31, 2019, Whitman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Utility: Chairperson Ragland stated he would like to clear up a his statement on cutting off irrigation meters, he stated the Water Dept., will do a courtesy cutoff the first time for customers we will charge \$35.00 if we have to go out a 2nd & 3rd time to turn service off.

Park & Recreation: Chairperson Freeman reported the MLK breakfast is coming up on Saturday at Triana CP Church beginning at 8:00a.m.

Streets & Cemetery: Mayor reported the pothole at the entrance of Savannah subdivision on Wall Triana side has been repaired. Chairperson Whitman reported the tornado shelter was opened on Saturday. We had two trees blown down during the storm; County came out and assisted with cutting the trees up.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS AND OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Whitman reported the Planning and Zoning Committee met and approved the zoning changes, R-2 to R-3. They discussed the pump capacity into the retention area, limiting the number of units to pump capacity. The site will allow 72 units.

Mr. Plotts stated they plan to build in stages 48 or more whatever will fit in zoning.

Mayor stated we need to have a work session to decide what we will tackle first.

Councilman Whitman stated part of the proposal on 8th Street is to give the builder an easement to allow him to build a retention pond.

Councilman Ragland recommended we sell land on 8th Street or we black tar it.

Mayor stated the retention pond will assist all homes around it to help with the flooding.

Whitman stated the next step is to vote on allowing the rezoning and approving number of units, we need to decide what to do with the easement retain it or give to builder.

Mayor stated she would like for Madison Utilities to also attend the work session since they have been doing additional studies on our lift stations.

Work session was scheduled for January 21st at 6p.m. to discuss selling the land on 6th Street and the proposal submitted by the Planning and Zoning.

Mayor will meet with Madison Utilities at a later date to discuss the town's sewer system and report back to the council.

Attorney Ballew was asked to send Mr. Parcus a letter/notice on cleaning up his properties.

Ms. Freeman stated we need to follow up on the residents that were given an extension to clean up their property.

Mayor stated one of the persons given a notice has moved some of the stuff off his property not all of it so we do need to follow up.

The Attorney has been asked to send letter to landowner on Swancott Rd to clean his properties(s).

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Patsy Parvin a resident who lives on Advent Dr., expressed concern over the properties on Swancott. There are all kinds of trash everywhere. She stated there's a new subdivision right beside it and it's just a mess. It's getting worse. They are burning stuff all the time which makes it hard to sit outside. The wind blows the debris across Wall Triana near her property. It looks bad. She stated we should not have to look at that mess coming into the town.

Council member Freeman stated se would like to see us send a letter to Robbie Parker who is retiring from Madison City Schools.

Moved and properly seconded to adjourn.

Date approved _____

Sharron Humphrey, Town Clerk-Treasurer

Mayor or Chair Pro Tem